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1. (Internal Use Only - PLC) [REDACTED] Deputy Director of Finance, called and requested if we could determine what office within the Pentagon was responsible for allocating the \$2.2 billion emergency aid to Israel (P. L. 93-199), which was recently approved by the Congress.

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this materiel. I called Dick Violette, Defense Security Assistance Agency, who is responsible for the allocation of the emergency aid funds. He indicated that the full amount of the funds had been allocated, and he was awaiting final approval. I told him that [REDACTED] would probably call and discuss the matter further. [REDACTED] advised.

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2. (Internal Use Only - PLC) Called George Gilbert, OMB. He confirmed that the State Department report on S. 2239, the Church bill, which prohibits the acceptance or solicitation of private funds by the Government to influence foreign elections, had been cleared and sent to the House Judiciary Committee. The report is not retrievable, especially since the same report had been sent to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee last July, and the bill has passed the Senate. I expressed the serious concern of the Director and said he will probably bring this matter up with the National Security Council. I also informed Gilbert that we would contact the staff of the Judiciary Committee if we determine that the State report may prompt the Judiciary Committee to expand the provisions of the bill. Gilbert again assured me that OMB is holding up the Justice Department report pending receipt of our views, and they will request Justice to revise their report and confine their comments to the bill as written.